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KHPA Board Chair Announces Departure

Connie Hubbell has announced that she will be stepping down from her position as Chair of the Kansas Health Policy Board in August of this year, which is when her appointment is scheduled to expire.

According to KHPA Executive Director Dr. Marcia Nielsen, "Connie has performed a great service to the Board and to the agency. She has expertly directed the Board's activities since her appointment in August of 2005. Her passion for health reform has been an inspiration to everyone who has had the pleasure of working with her."

Hubbell has served as the Senior Vice President for the Kansas Foundation for Medical Care since 2003. She will be leaving that position on July 31 to begin a lobbying practice.

Prior to her position with the Kansas Foundation for Medical Care, Hubbell was the Secretary of Aging from 1999 – 2003. Before that, she served as the Assistant Secretary of Health Care Policy/Commissioner of Substance Abuse, Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities for the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services from 1997-1999.

During her tenure, Hubbell has worked on such issues as the development of KHPA's 21-point Health Reform recommendations, the Data Consortium, and the agency's budget and staffing. She shared her decision to step down with other Kansas Health Policy Authority Board members and Dr. Nielsen at a Board dinner in June.

For more information on Connie Hubbell and the Kansas Health Policy Authority Board, please visit our website at: <http://www.khpa.ks.gov/AuthorityBoard/default.html>

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